



BC Métis Federation
Board Meeting
300-3665 Kingsway
Vancouver, BC

Sunday, February 5th, 2017
11:00 am – 2:00 PM

Approved Minutes

Board members:

- **Keith Henry - President**
- **Joe Desjarlais – Secretary**
- **Rene Therrien – Vice President**
- **Betty Fisher - Treasurer**
- **Ken Fisher – Board Member**
- **Cindy Wilgosh – Board Member**

Staff and volunteers:

- **Kelly Davison – Consultation Office**
- **Shauna Benson – Métis Economic Development Corporation – Contracted Executive Director**
- **Sherry Daniels – Office Manager**

Regrets:

- **Earl Belcourt**
- **Baillie Redfern**
- **JJ Lavallee**

MEDC:

- **Mechtild Morin**

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks 11:00 AM

Motion 20170205 – 01 to approve agenda as amended

Moved Rene Therrien

Seconded Betty Fisher

Carried

2. BC Métis Federation Draft Minutes 11:05 AM
a. December 4th, 2016

Motion 20170205 – 02 to approve minutes of December 4th as amended

Moved Ken Fisher

Seconded JJ Lavallee

Carried

Action Item #1 – Send Michif Language Proposal to Board Member Cindy Wilgosh

3. BC Métis Federation Finance Update

11:30 AM

BC Métis Federation Treasurer gave an update of the BC Métis Federation budget from April 1st – March 31st, 2017, 3 quarters of the year.

The organization is spending under budget as per the approved 2016-2017 by \$28,2731.92 as per the approved annual budget.

Action Item #2 – Treasurer Betty Fisher, Officer Manager Sherry Daniels, Shauna Benson and Kelly Davison will arrange a meeting next week.

Action Item #3 – Officer Manager Sherry Daniels to follow up with auditor to address outstanding GST receivable.

Action Item #4 – The 2016-2017 will add the revenues to date.

Motion 20170205 – 03 to approve the Finance Report for April – December as presented

Moved Rene Therrien

Seconded Joe Desjarlais

Carried

4. BC Métis Federation Membership Update

11:45 AM

Motion 20170205 – 04 to approve the Membership Report for November – December as presented

Moved Betty Fisher

Seconded Rene Therrien

Carried

It was noted that membership card production is being reviewed with a new company. This will ensure the membership card looks the same.

Action Item #5 – membership application package and brochures to Cindy Wilgosh.

Action Item #6 – membership package for Rene Therrien.

The information from applicants continues to raise serious concerns about the messages of the Métis Nation BC. That Métis Nation BC will not fund programs with BC Métis Federation. Inspire continues to dismiss applications from our members.

5. BC Metis Federation MYTUL Project

11:55 AM

a. Project Update

The project website has been updated from MYTUL to MyVoyageur.ca and the project is being implemented on time and budget to date. A report was provided to the board.

Action Item #7 – Have youth ages 15-24 contact project support Kelly Davison asap by email kelly.davison@ksdandassociates.com.

Motion 20170205 – 06 to approve the Project Report as presented

Moved Ken Fisher

Seconded Cindy Wilgosh

Carried

Noon (Working Lunch)

12:30 – 1:00 PM

6. Consultation Office

1:00 PM

a. Social Economic Study Overview

The survey of our members is now completed as it closed in January 2017. A report will be circulated in the very near future.

One issue was brought up about privacy and information being collected. As such a privacy audit was undertaken and any potential issues removed.

b. Navigational Protection Act Submission to Canada

c. Federal Fisheries Act Submission to Canada

The report was provided to summarize b and c. BC Métis Federation used First Peoples Law to provide reviews which were funded by CEAA. The consultation office is presenting to panels this week in Vancouver.

The board discussed that we need a better way to communicate the importance of the surveys when we request online.

Action Item #8 – The organization will increase education for these tools on Metis Matters Radio Show and Metis Coffee Talk to increase participation.

Motion 20170205 – 07 – To approve the consultation office to apply as intervenor regarding the Wyndwood Expansion Project.

Moved Betty Fisher

Seconded ken Fisher

Carried

Motion 20170205 – 08 to approve the NEB submission regarding the Wyndwood Expansion Project totaling \$5100.00 under the Participant Funding Proposal

Moved Rene Therrien

Seconded Joe Desjarlais

Carried

Whereas the British Columbia Metis Federation has applied to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's Participant Funding Program for funding to participate in the federal government's review of environmental and regulatory processes;

And Whereas, once the application for funding is approved, the British Columbia Metis Federation will be required to enter into a Contribution Agreement with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency in order to receive the funding;

Now therefore the Board of the British Columbia Metis Federation hereby resolves to:

- 1. authorize the British Columbia Metis Federation to enter into a Contribution Agreement with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency;*
- 2. designate the duly authorized signatory on behalf of the British Columbia Metis Federation to be Keith Henry, President, for the purposes of signing the application for funding, the Contribution Agreement, or any other documents required under the Contribution Agreement; and*
- 3. authorize the British Columbia Metis Federation's Consultation Office, with the support of the British Columbia Metis Federation's Treasurer and Office Manager, to manage the funds, expense claim process and to receive the payment cheque in relation to the Contribution Agreement.*

7. Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency 2:15 PM
a. Kinder Morgan Canada – TransMountain Expansion Update

Nothing from the Consultation Office coming up. MEDC is meeting on the 16th regarding the project. MEDC is meeting with Phil Symington and Bob Cross.

8. Other
a. Daniels Case Symposium

The board discussed our views about the recent forum held in Alberta. There were no clear outcomes and it was confusing about the purpose.

BC Métis Federation reminded the board about the Daniels Action plan we have developed.

- b. Canada 150 Application

BC Metis Federation President Keith Henry was appointed this week as one of 18 national Canada 150 Ambassadors and the specific BC Métis Federation project will be decided soon.

- c. AROP Project

No new updates

- d. MARR Minister Meeting Confirmed

BC Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Minister Rustad has agreed to meet in the near future.

- e. Métis Nation BC Letter and Situation January 2017
 - i. Nova Métis Heritage Association
 - ii. BC Métis Federation

The Métis Nation BC sent a letter notifying Nova that they may terminate their Charter Agreement in a letter January 19th, 2017.

Métis Nation BC alleges this under 4 provisions which are all baseless and inconsistent with Métis Nation BC.

Action #9 – Nova to draft a letter of response

Action #10 – BC Métis Federation to make this issue public and share with the Governments on a priority basis.

- f. Western Economic Diversification Project

BC Metis Federation and One Feather are coordinating an application to submit.

9. Next Meeting 2:25 PM

March meeting will be arranged at the end of February.

10. Adjournment 3:30 PM

Motion 20170205 – 09 to adjourn at 2:45 PM

Moved Rene Therrien

Carried

Approved by:

BCMF Chairperson

BCMF Secretary

Dated: February 5, 2017